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98-126US-RE-1/187 P 151

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,015,299, granted January 18, 2000, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled Card Edge Connector With Symmetrical Board Contacts

the specification of which

is attached hereto.

was filed on January 17, 2002 as reissue application number 10 /051,925
and was amended on _____
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

by reason of a defective specification or drawing.

by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

During the preparation and prosecution of Patent No. 6,015,299 the inventors and their attorneys failed to appreciate the full scope of the invention. The errors include reciting: "card" and "edge" in each of claims 6-23; "contact pads" in claims 6 and 16; "elongated slot" or "slot" in claims 6, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22 and 23; and "centerline therealong coinciding with the center of said circuit card when mated" in claims 6 and 16. These recitations arguably could support a claim interpretation which is more restrictive than that to which the patentee is entitled, including the connector must be a card which mates on an edge, the contacts must be pads, a slot must be present, and certain centerlines must coincide.

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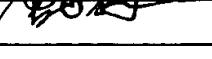
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